

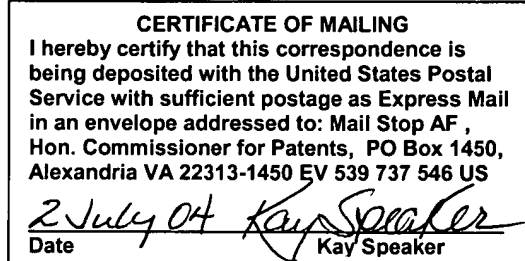


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 09/805,383
Applicant : Lin et al.
Filed : March 12, 2001
Title : Materials and Methods for the Regeneration of Plants from
Cultured Plant Tissue
Confirmation No. 2366
TC/A.U. : 1651
Examiner : Lankford, Jr. Leon B.
Docket No. : 28-00



RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed on April 20, 2004, a continuation application (attorney docket number 28-00A) taking priority from the above-referenced application was filed on July 2, 2004 with this response.

A Notice of Appeal for the above-referenced application was filed on December 3, 2003. Under 37 CFR 1.192(a), Appellant's Brief must be filed within two months from the date of the Notice of Appeal, or any extensions of time thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal and abandonment of the application. This Response is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time of five months under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the requisite fee of \$2,010 to ensure co-pendency of the above-referenced application and the newly filed continuation. It is believed that the filing of a continuation is an acceptable response to the Advisory Action. The above-referenced application is expressly abandoned effective upon the awarded filing date of the newly filed continuation application (attorney docket number 28-00A).

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Respectfully submitted,

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